Cruise Vessel Security and Safety Act of 2010: Publication of Training Standards and Curricula

As of July 27, 2011 all passenger vessels subject to the Cruise Vessel Security and Safety Act of 2010 (CVSSA) entering U.S. waters are now required to have at least one crewmember onboard trained in the prevention, detection, evidence preservation and reporting of criminal activities in the international maritime environment. The U.S. Coast Guard in consultation with the U.S. Maritime Administration and the Federal Bureau of Investigation developed a model course entitled, “Crime Prevention, Detection, Evidence Preservation and Reporting” which outlines the minimum standards necessary to allow for the certification of passenger vessel security personnel, crewmembers, and law enforcement officials.

The Crime Prevention, Detection, Evidence Preservation and Reporting model course can be accessed at: http://www.uscg.mil/hq/cg2/cgis/

Certification requirements are currently being developed by the U.S. Maritime Administration noting approval requirements for training facilities offering training required by the CVSSA. The certification requirements will be made available in a future notice when they are fully developed.

If you have any questions related to the Crime Prevention, Detection, Evidence Preservation and Reporting model course, please contact LCDR Latasha Pennant at Latasha.E.Pennant@uscg.mil or (202) 372-1358.

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